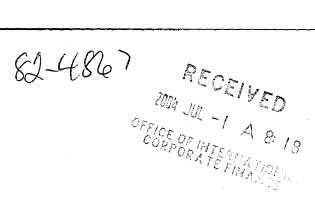


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### **Amrad Corporation Limited**

Please find attached information being furnished by Amrad Corporation Limited to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Dear Sirs

AMRAD Corporation Limited Rule 12g3-2(b) Exemption (File No. 82-4867)

The enclosed information is being furnished by AMRAD Corporation Limited ("AMRAD") under paragraph (b)(1)(i) of Rule 12g3-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("the Exchange Act"). AMRAD's file number is indicated in the upper right hand corner of each unbound page and the first page of each bound document furnished herewith.

In accordance with paragraphs (b)(4) and (b)(5) of the Rule, the documents furnished herewith are being furnished with the understanding that such documents will not be deemed "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, and that neither this letter nor the furnishings of such documents shall constitute an admission for any purpose that AMRAD is subject to the Exchange Act.

Yours sincerely

Robyn Fry

General Counsel & Company Secretary

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FILE No. 82-4867

# Rule 12g3-2(b) Card Received from the SEC

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This will advise that the issuer has been added to the list of those foreign private issuers that claim exemption pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Please be further adviced that in order to continue to claim this exemption, the issuer must furnish to the Commission, on a timely basis, all information required by Rule 12g3-2(b). This includes all relevant documents since the date of your initial submission. The burden of furnishing such information rests with the issuer, even if it delegates that responsibility to another, and the staff will look to the issuer for compliance. If the issuer is a member of an affiliated or control group which normally prepares reports, press releases, etc., in a single document, a separate report must be submitted for each issuer that claims an exemption under the rule because separate files are maintained for each issuer.

ALL FUTURE SUBMISSIONS MUST PROMINENTLY INDICATE THE EXEMPTION NUMBER IN THE UPPER RIGHT HAND CORNER OF EACH UNBOUND PAGE AND THE FIRST PAGE OF EACH BOUND DOCUMENT PURSUANT TO THE IDENTIFICATION PROVISIONS OF THE RULE. FAILURE TO SO INDICATE WILL RESULT IN THE SUBMISSION BEING RETURNED TO THE SENDER AND THE SUBMISSION NOT BEING RECORDED, RESULTING IN POSSIBLE LOSS OF THE EXEMPTION.





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AUSTRALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE LIMITED - Company Announcements Office

SUBJECT:

CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT AND RELEASE OF ANNOUNCEMENT

#### MESSAGE:

We confirm the receipt and release to the market of an announcement regarding:

Avexa Demerger-Temp Suspension of Share Buy-Back

#### PLEASE NOTE:

In accordance with Guidance Note 14 of ASX Listing Rules -

- Use of ASX Online for lodgement of company announcements becomes mandatory from 1 July 2003
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#### AVEXA DEMERGER - TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF SHARE BUY-BACK

On 21<sup>51</sup> June, Amrad announced its intention to demerge its anti-infectives business, Avexa Limited, and to list Avexa on the Australian Stock Exchange later this year.

Under the terms of the demerger, which is subject to approval by shareholders, Amrad shareholders will receive shares in Avexa on a pro-rata basis to their current holdings of Amrad shares. Importantly, Amrad shareholders will not be required to contribute any cash in order to obtain their shares in Avexa, Amrad shareholders' current holdings of Amrad shares will be unaffected.

To enable the calculation of the entitlements of Amrad shareholders for inclusion in the demerger documentation, it is necessary to determine now the total number of Amrad shares that will be on issue at the Record Date for the offer.

In order that this number remains fixed during the demerger process to allow precise calculation of entitlements. Amrad advises that it will temporarily suspend purchase of shares under its current share buy-back program until after the Record Date of the Avexa offer.

Avexa is developing novel therapies that could represent early market entrants in new drug classes for the treatment of major diseases including HIV/AIDS. Hepatitis B and antibiotic resistant bacterial infections.

#### About Amrad:

Amrad Corporation Limited is an Australian drug discovery and development based biotechnology company. Amrad's in-house R&D expertise is focused on a number of priority projects in the areas of allergy, inflammation and infectious diseases. Further information about projects in drug discovery and development can be found at www.amrad.com.au.

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